

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Support Assistant
Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Quarters Policy--Drapery Allowance

1. We solicit your views concerning the payment of an accountable drapery allowance for personal quarters. The figure we have in mind is \$150.00.

2. One's immediate reaction to such a proposal is, admittedly, negative. However, at second glance, it has both merit and equity. If we are assigned to a furnished quarters post, drapes (and rugs) are provided. If it is an unfurnished quarters post, we bring our furniture and drapes, yet it is most unlikely that one's drapes will fit any strange window--anywhere. So, the employee who moves his household will have to buy a set of drapes to fit these overseas quarters. The employee who has not been required to move his household does not incur this additional expense.

3. It is our understanding that A.I.D., for one, provides drapes for privately based quarters. It would appear that we could do the same. One thing to bear in mind is the size of windows involved. In the Near East they are huge and plentiful.

4. May we have your opinion on the matter?

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NE Support Staff

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